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Applicant : Masahiko IBAMOTO, et al.
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Customer No. : 23911
Title : Automatic Transmission System And Automobile Using
The System And Automobile Using The System

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 17, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect the species A of Fig. 2 upon which Claims 1, 4-8, 18 and 20 are readable. In the event that one or more generic claims are found allowable, however, applicants request inclusion of the remaining claims directed to the provisionally non-elected species.

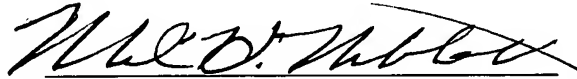
If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and

please charge any such fee or any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056208.53058US).

Respectfully submitted,

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